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As a below-named inventor, I(we) hereby declare than

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METHOD FOR ENHANCING SHEET OR TUBING METAL STENT RADIOPACITY

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Dated this 25th day of July 2001.

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